Preface

This manual provides guidance on reconstitution. It defines reconstitution; describes the planning, training, decision making, and execution processes; and establishes responsibilities. The intent is to provide commanders facing reconstitution on the AirLand Battlefield with guidance on how to maintain maximum combat power within situational and resource constraints.

The manual gives information to commanders and staffs who provide combat service support in regeneration operations. It also informs commanders and staffs of all types of units what support is likely to be available in regeneration and what their responsibilities are.

This manual is applicable to all theaters and levels of command. The principles are adaptable to all levels of conflict intensity at the operational and tactical levels of war. However, the primary focus of this manual is the regeneration of battalions and brigades. Though the wording of the text may at times focus on reconstitution of combat units, the principles in this manual are equally valid when commanders reconstitute other units. Chapter 4 gives some considerations peculiar to reconstituting these types of units.

This manual is based on doctrine in FMs 100-5 and 100-10. FM 100-5 outlines how the Army will fight the AirLand Battle. FM 100-10 provides an overview of the CSS system for supporting the Army in the field. Though this manual focuses on current AirLand Battle doctrine, Appendix A discusses force reconstitution as it relates to the evolving AirLand Operations concept. This manual does not pertain to the term "reconstitution" as used to refer to prepositioned packages in the strategic mobility area.

A wide range of publications support this manual. They provide details for specific echelons or functional areas. Included among these manuals are FMs 100-16, 63-4, 100-15, and 63-3J. FM 100-16 describes support operations at echelons above corps. FM 63-4 gives more detail on TAACOM operations. FM 100-15 is the doctrinal manual for corps operations, and FM 63-3J describes CSS operations for the corps. As these and other relevant manuals are revised, they will tailor the guidelines in this manual to specific units and echelons.

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